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Re: Indiana CCSS Content Standards Review of CPM Algebra Connections

CPM is proud to be one of the Algebra 1 programs deemed satisfactory by the Indiana Textbook Advisory Council. CPM's submission for the 2010 review included the original *Algebra Connections* text submitted and approved in 2009, along with a set of supplementary lessons for CCSS topics not covered in the text. These resources are available for free download at the CPM website (www.cpm.org) or for purchase in booklet form for a nominal cost. Together they provide a CCSS-aligned course of study for Algebra 1.

While the content review for *Algebra Connections* is quite positive, whenever the CPM correlation citations referenced the supplement booklet, the reviewer ranked the standard compliance "1" or "2" with the comment, for example, "Only covers linear; rest in *Algebra 2 Connections*." While the reviewer listed those citations (mostly material taken from the *Algebra 2 Connections* course or CPM's *Statistics and Probability Resource*), those materials were not credited toward meeting the standard.

The reason for a second round of textbook reviews in 2010 was to see what publishers had done to address the CCSS content and mathematical practice standards. In the first paragraph of the cover letter (see excerpt below) that accompanied the CPM materials submitted for review in November 2010, we noted that the course textbook and the supplementary materials comprised the CCSS-aligned Algebra 1 program offered by CPM.

Respectfully submitted,

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CPM Algebra Connections

Cover Letter and Mathematical Practices

Accessing the complete course

The student textbook and the supplement binder are the core items for the course.